



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5050

February Session, 2014



AN ACT IMPROVING COLLEGE COMPLETIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2014*) (a) There is established a Go
2 Back to Get Ahead program, administered by the Board of Regents for
3 Higher Education, for the purpose of encouraging individuals who
4 previously enrolled in an associate's or bachelor's degree program, but
5 left such program prior to its completion, to return to an institution of
6 higher education to earn a degree.

7 (b) The Go Back to Get Ahead program shall provide, within
8 available resources, an incentive of up to three free three-credit courses
9 necessary for the completion of an associate's or bachelor's degree to
10 any resident of this state who previously enrolled in an associate's or
11 bachelor's degree program at any public or independent institution of
12 higher education, but who (1) left such program prior to completing it,
13 and (2) has not attended any institution of higher education for at least
14 eighteen months as of June 30, 2014. Said program shall be limited to
15 individuals who enroll, not later than September 30, 2016, in an
16 associate's or bachelor's degree program at a state college within the
17 Connecticut State University System, a regional community-technical
18 college or Charter Oak State College.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2014</i>	New section
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HED *Joint Favorable Subst.*

APP *Joint Favorable*